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Psychics Pinpoint Sunken Wreck In 1,500 Square Miles of Ocean

Two psychics — working independently of each other — exactly pinpointed the site of an unknown 1890s' shipwreck off the coast of California and accurately described artifacts divers would find deep below the surface.

Ingo Swann and Hella Hammid astounded skeptical scientists with their amazingly accurate psychic predictions.

"I must say we did find the type of things that in general they predicted and in the area where the psychics said they would be found," declared Dr. Anne B. Kahle, an independent scientific ob-

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server who was aboard the \$3-million Taurus I research submarine when the artifacts were discovered.

The experiment, part of a

series called "Project Deep Quest" was conducted by the Mobius Group, an international organization of scientists and psychics headed by Stephan Schwartz. Experts from the famous Institute for Marine and Coastal Studies of the University of Southern California co-operated in the test.

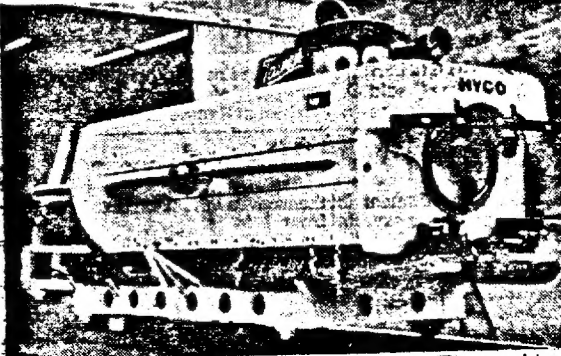
Swann and Hammid were each given a chart covering 1,500 square miles of Pacific Ocean off the California coast. They were asked to use their powers to pinpoint the undersea location of an undiscovered shipwreck, and predict what would be found there.

"What was astounding was that they both independently selected the same site — a few hundred yards apart," said Eugene Veek, associate director for facilities at the Marine Institute, and former commander of a U.S. Navy submarine.

Among the sketches Hammid



SUCCESSFUL SEERS Ingo Swann and Hella Hammid at Catalina Island during the experiment.



SUBMARINE used in the shipwreck search. The psychics led the vessel to sunken artifacts.

drew were chains, a wheel with spokes and a strange rectangular block. Swann gave descriptions of a pipe, cables, chain and various debris.

Then divers aboard the Taurus I set out to the area — near California's Catalina Island.

Actually, the submarine had been in the area for five months working with sonar, but had found nothing to indicate a shipwreck, according to Allan Witcombe, the chief pilot.

But with the psychics' maps — and them aboard — it was a different story.

At 170 feet below the surface, Swann began directing the Taurus I. "He led us right to the wreck and the artifacts," said Witcombe.

"It was amazing. He directed us to one object after another.

"The predictions were astonishingly accurate. There were shackles and pulleys and shafts. There were lots of cables and chain and it was remarkably easy to identify the artifacts from the drawings.

"It was incredible that we ac-

tually found the ship's wheel in 270 feet of water just the way Hella drew it."

Yet another astonishing find was a huge rectangular stone block — which

looked remarkably like what Hammid had drawn. "It just wasn't the kind of thing anyone would expect to identify with a wreck," claimed Witcombe.

Dr. Kahle, a renowned geophysicist who

worked on NASA satellite programs, agreed. "We really found a lot of unexpected things that were similar to what were described by the psychics."

Even a top government marine expert admitted that the amazing accuracy of the two psychics is astonishing. "I don't think anyone was trying to fool the scientists," said Thomas S. Cooke of the U.S. Bureau of Land Management.

Dr. Don Walsh, director of the Institute for Marine and Coastal Studies, evaluated Project Deep Quest, looking for any possible fraud.

"I'm not necessarily a supporter, but I couldn't find anything to cast doubt on the psychics' claims," he said.

Could the find have been "salted" — the artifacts placed there recently?

"It would be extremely difficult to fake this," said Dr. Walsh.

"To put things down on the ocean floor that have allegedly been there that long and make them look that way would take the best Hollywood special effects man."